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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
MINORU MATSUGUMA, ET AL.) : Examiner: Hoang X. Ngo
Application No.: 10/682,078) : Group Art Unit: 2852
Filed: October 10, 2003) : Notice of Allowance: August 20, 2004
For: METHOD OF DETECTING LIFE) : Confirmation No.: 9491
OF IMAGE BEARING MEMBER,)
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS)
AND CARTRIDGE) : April 1, 2005

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SECOND REQUEST FOR ENTRY OF
SEPTEMBER 7, 2004 AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

Sir:

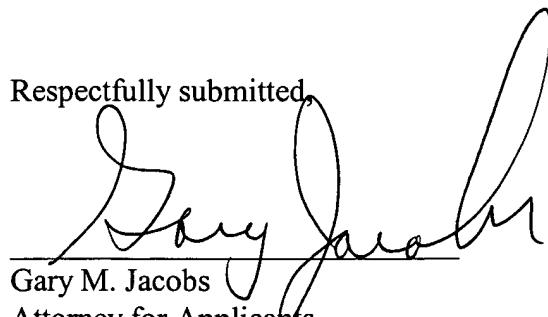
On September 7, 2004 Applicants filed an Amendment After Allowance and a substitute specification. The Examiner issued a paper on March 7, 2005 indicating that the November 15, 2004 has been entered. However, to-date, Applicants have not received any communication acknowledging entry of September 7, 2004 Amendment After Allowance by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a paper entering the September 7, 2004 Amendment After Allowance and substitute specification,

since the Amendment After Allowance and substitute specification merely correct minor informalities in the claims and the specification.

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